GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:1995
ANSWERED ON:13.03.2008
RAIL CONNECTIVITY TO BEDI AND PORBANDAR PORTS
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Railways are considering to provide rail connectivity to more minor ports;

(b) if so, the State-wise ports which are under consideration particularly ports of Gujarat State;

(c) whether the Railways have received any proposals from the various States in this regard;

(d) if so, the State-wise details thereof; and

(e) the present status of those proposals?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRI R. VELU)

(a) to (e): A statement is attached.

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) to (e) OF UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1995 BY SHRI P. S. GADHAVI AND SHRI RATILAL KALIDAS VARMA TO BE ANSWERED IN LOK SABHA ON 13.03.2008 REGARDING RAIL CONNECTIVITY TO BEDI AND PORBANDAR PORTS.

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The list of Ports where Railways are considering rail connectivity is given hereunder:

S.No	State	Port
1	Maharashtra	1. Rewas Port
		2. PNP Port
		3. Dighi Port
2	Orissa	1. Dhamra Port
		2. Kirtania Port
		3. Gopalpur Port
3	Andhra Pradesh	1. Gangavaram Port
		2. Krishnapatam Port
		3. Machilipatnam Port
		4. Nizampatnam Port
		5. Kakinada Port
4	Gujarat	1. Hazira Port
		2. Bedi Port
		3. Porbandar Port
		4. Rozi Port
		5. Dahej Port

5	Tamil Nadu	1. Karaikal Port 2. Ennore Port
6	Kerala	1. Vallarpadam Port
7	Karnataka	1. Belekeri Port
8	West Bengal	1. Diamond Harbor

(c): Yes, Sir.

(d): The list of proposals received from various States is as under:

S.No	State	Port
1.	Orissa	1. Kirtania Port
2.	Andhra Pradesh	1. Machilipatnam Port 2. Nizampatnam Port
3.	Tamil Nadu	1. Karaikal Port

(e): The status of these proposals is as under :

Orissa: Kirtania Port likely to come up at the mouth of the river 'Subarnarekha' in Balasore District of Orissa. Railways are yet to receive the draft feasibility report pending which no comments can be offered.

Andhra Pradesh: The proposal of Government of Andhra Pradesh for rail connectivity to Machilipatnam Port is under consideration of South Central Railway.

The proposal for Nizamapatnam port near Bapatla Railway station at a distance of 20 Kms in Guntur district, Andhra Pradesh is at a Preliminary Stage only.

Tamil Nadu: M/s Karaikal Port Private Limited has engaged a consultant to develop a suitable layout for a siding to serve the Port. The consultants have submitted a feasibility report on 05.03.2008 and the report is under consideration of the Railway.